Sinclair Broadcasting is a danger to democracy. The autocratic and partisan decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the danger. Media consolidation allows one person or entity to wield personal influence over the decision of many.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.